

## THE ARIZONA MINING FIELD

### Items About the Mines and Mineral Development Culled From Exchanges

#### TREASURELAND OF AMERICA

Reports From Many Districts in the Territory, Telling of Important Discoveries, Active Operations and Organization of New Companies

The supreme court of Oregon held, in the case of Roberts vs. Templeton, that where the plaintiff, up to the time of his oral purchase of the interest of a tenant in common of a mine, was in possession under a contract with a co-tenant of the vendor, so that his prior possession merged into that under his purchase, there was not such a change of possession under the contract as to take it out of the statute of frauds.—Bradstreets.

#### COCHISE COUNTY

Where Mining, the Chief Industry, is Very Active

From the Tombstone Prospector.

The pump men and machinists are busy at the big shaft of the Tombstone Con. Mines Co. installing the new pump on the 800 level. This is being done under difficulties, since this level is the wet range and water is prevalent on all occasions. By the combined operations of the pumps the water is kept lowered and but little delay experienced in the work concentrated at this point. It is thought within a month the 800 level pump will be in full operation. The testing work for the proposed cyanide treatment continues and upon the final results will depend the method of handling the large low grade ore reserves of the county. It is probable the present mill capacity will be increased to 150 tons daily should the mill operations be decided upon. The usual ore shipments are made to the smelter and the working force slightly increased.

The property of El Capitan Mining & Milling company was sold at sheriff's sale in Tombstone Monday, July 21, to satisfy a judgment in favor of A. Grator for \$2400. The property consisted of three mining claims and was bid in by A. Grator for \$2159.10.

From the Bisbee Miner.

By September 1, at the latest, work will start on the Cochise group in this city. L. C. Shattuck, who is now in the east, is buying a plant with which a shaft will be sunk. The developments in the Czar of the Copper Queen are very encouraging to the Cochise people. The opening of a new body of ore and the proposed deepening of the shaft at the Czar are taken by the Cochise people as very good indications that their ground covers a great ore body. The working of the Cochise will be a good thing for Bisbee. It is within the city limits, and should it prove to be what it promises to be, it will be operated on a large scale. The majority of stockholders are residents of this city.

From the Prescott Journal-Miner.

As guests of Frank M. Murphy, E. E. Gage, of the Tombstone Consolidated Mining company, and W. F. Staunton, of the Congress mine, are visitors in Prescott. At the Tombstone mine another oil tank is being erected that will have a capacity of 140,000 gallons. The object of building this tank is to guard against washouts and delays, which occur very frequently, and leave the company short of oil for the furnaces.

#### YAVAPAI COUNTY

Growing Importance of the Mining Industry. New Developments

From the Prescott Journal-Miner.

The fact that the Black Hills Copper company commenced the work of sinking a 1000 foot shaft on its property, would indicate that an era of deep mining has been started in the Jerome district. This shaft is being sunk on what is locally known as Mineral Hill, in what is supposed to be the heart of the Jerome mineral belt. Near to the Black Hill group are the Decatur, the United Verde Junior and a number of others on all of which ore has been exposed. Like the Bisbee district, the Jerome has gone through years of shallow development work upon which hundreds of thousands of dollars have been spent without any satisfactory results and for this reason is has been almost impossible, during the past two or three years, to get capital with which to continue work in the district. Money, however, has again commenced to come in, but with the understanding by those who are diverting it that it shall be used in deep mining. With that understanding the Black Hills, located south of the United Verde mine, the Pittsburg-Jerome, southwest, and the

Jerome Mines Development company with property north of that great mine, have been successful in raising abundance of capital with which to develop their properties. If any one of these companies succeeds in opening a pay mine the future of the district and the city of Jerome is assured.

From the Prescott Courier.

The Monica mine, in the Kirkland section, has been operated in a small way by Tom Earnhardt, its owner, for some time, and for the past year a bar of gold from this property has been shipped into Prescott every ten days. The Monica is known to be one of the best gold properties in this section, and if equipped on a large scale would be a big producer. That it will have such equipment and become such a producer is assured, for a deed is now in escrow for the transfer of the property to Cecil G. Fennell, a well known and successful mining operator. The price to be paid for the property is \$100,000.

The financial troubles of the Cash Mines company, originating it is alleged, from a desire of one faction of the stockholders to gain control, culminated yesterday in an attachment being levied on the property. Learning that certain creditors were about to precipitate litigation, that would end in the company going into bankruptcy. Supt. H. Blauvelt, to protect the merchants, secured an assignment of their claims to him, who in turn assigned them to the Bashford-Burmister company, the plaintiffs in the action.

From the Enterprise.

The party of fifty stockholders in the North American Exploration company who were in Phoenix at the beginning of the week to examine the Mormon Girl mine, are in Prescott where they go to look at the Reliance mine.

From the News Herald.

For the first time the complete details of the recent deal made in Jerome whereby Chris Harryhausen bonds a group of eight claims to Lloyd C. Haynes, of New York, were obtainable today as a result of the filing for record with the county recorder of the bond made and executed between the two parties. The bond is exclusive in character and runs for a period of eighteen months at the end of which time Haynes is to have paid \$60,000 for the property and to get from the Branch Bank of Arizona at Jerome a deed now in escrow.

G. M. Willard, who has been contracting at the Iron King mine, has completed his work there and has moved to the old post at Camp Verde, where they will reside. Mr. Willard has taken an option on the Allen group of claims and will begin work on the property as soon as he returns from Prescott. These claims are situated in the Squaw Peak district about five miles from Camp Verde.

At the request of interested parties C. G. Fennell, receiver, postponed the sale of the Model Gold Mining company's property at McCabe until August 24. The property was to have been sold today to the highest bidder. E. E. Ellinwood, representing a party of Chicago capitalists, and others asked today that the date of the opening of bids be postponed, giving as their reason that more time was required in which to prepare their bids.

#### CLIFTON AND MORENCI

Items of Interest From Graham County's Big Copper Camps

From the Clifton Herald.

Crystallization is becoming more marked in the ore leads of the Chase Creek Copper company's mine. There are bubbles and blisters and chains and threads of beautiful crystallization everywhere. It is a happy sign. No ore can exist in wealth and quantity without extensive crystallization. Room for another ore dump has been prepared at the west side of the great tunnel. Thus far there are only two grades of ore at the mine—first and second. This comprises its entire product today.

From the Morenci Leader.

A rush of miners and prospectors is being made to a new gold discovery in what is known as Carrasco district in the neighborhood of Morenci. The ground had formerly been gone over and ore to the value of \$100 in gold found, but from some cause after a little work prospecting ceased. Quite a number of miners are now at work in the vicinity.

From the Copper Era.

The Era has private information that the deal which has been pending for some months past between the Shannon company and the New England and Clifton company for absorption of the latter by the former has fallen through.

The fourth Hancock jig is now being put in place in the Arizona Copper company's concentrating plant. This jig is expected to take the place of the last of the vanners, but Superintendent Morrison is somewhat doubtful as to the success on the fines. The jig has given excellent satisfaction so far as tried.

Parties representing the Colorado people who are to furnish the means for opening up and developing the property of the Polaris company, will arrive in a few days to close up the deal whereby the property will pass under the control of the new manage-

ment. Manager Sweeting will remain with the company and have charge of the property. It will probably be some weeks yet before development work will be commenced. The contract with the Colorado people calls for the expenditure of \$750,000.

Mr. Brooks, assistant treasurer of the Standard Copper mines, was in town from the camp this week and stated that all the workings of the mine have been connected with the main working shaft, which will greatly cheapen the handling of the product from the mine. He states that the company recently made its last payment on the San Jose group of mines and also on the Copper Center group. All of the property of the company is now clear of indebtedness. All of the mines have been patented but three and they soon will be. The mines are all doing well. The first shipment will be made from the Copper Center claims in a few days and it is expected that the ore will average about 30 per cent. Another shipment is also ready from the San Jose group. These shipments from the recently acquired claims of the company will materially increase the output.

#### MOHAVE COUNTY

The Week's Mining News as Reported by the Miner

L. D. Godshall returned from the east Monday evening. He was accompanied by F. A. Hall, of St. Louis Potosi, Mexico. The gentlemen visited Stockton Hill and Cerbat Tuesday and Wednesday and have gone to Needles to make an examination of the smelting plant. It is understood that work on the Banner mine, at Stockton Hill, will be commenced at once. At the Twin mines, Cerbat, work has been in progress some time and at a depth of 180 feet good ore is coming in. The vein is very large, no walls being found.

Wednesday night J. P. Gideon and George Ayers brought in a bar of bullion weighing \$25,000 from the Gold Road mill at Kingman. Ten days ago the company shipped a bar weighing \$45,000. The latter bar was ready for melting last Sunday but owing to the breaking of the melting pot and the trouble entailed in getting the furnace in shape again the shipment of this small bar was delayed. Sunday or Monday next a bar weighing about \$50,000 will be shipped. So far the mill has produced more than \$1,000,000 in gold and the present year promises to exceed that amount by several hundred thousand dollars. On the 400 level of the Gold Road mine, in the east drift, a body of ore has been broken into that gives average values of \$20,000 to the ton, some of the ore assaying as high as \$60,000.

Work has been commenced on the Pinkham mine, near Chloride. E. G. Eckis is in charge of the property and intends to drive the shaft to a depth of three or four hundred feet. The property is one of the best copper mines in the county.

J. F. Littlefield of San Francisco, in company with W. C. Howard, departed Friday for the Katherine mine, where a new hoisting plant is being installed. A large amount of machinery has been hauled out to the mine and within a short time the new plant will be in operation.

Charles Metcalfe visited the mining claims owned by James Jackman, over in the Wallapai mountains, last week, and reports that he has one of the greatest lead properties in the county. The vein is almost flat and is running under the mountain. Great bodies of ore can be seen in the outcrop.

After looking over the mining field of Mohave county, E. M. Carson departed the first of the week for San Francisco. He is very well pleased with the outlook for mining in Wallapai district and believes that his people will install a large smelting plant either at McConico or Kingman in the near future. The plant will be designed to handle the heavy zinc ores of this section, as well as lead and copper.

From the Phoenix Enterprise.

R. J. Ferguson, owner of the Redemption and Clyde gold, silver and copper claims at Chloride, Mohave county, is negotiating the sale of his claims to an eastern company, the figures being named at \$20,000. The first named property has a twenty inch vein of copper glance ore running high in gold an silver values.

#### OUR NEIGHBOR PINAL

Mining News Reported by our Arizona Exchanges

From the Enterprise.

The Saddle Mountain Mining company's 150-ton smelter, located in Pinal county, will kindle its fires for a long and steady run. A big tonnage of ore has been gotten ready for the work of the smelter and much ore is in sight in the lower workings of the mine. In view of the starting up of the smelter and in order to keep ore for handling three shifts of men have been placed at work on the ore bodies. A good vein of healthful limestone water has lately been developed in the east lower workings, which is furnishing most of the water for domestic use.

From the Republican.

James K. McCarthy arrived in the city from Prescott yesterday on his way to Pinal county, where he has

been interested for the last ten years in the Brooklyn group. He has lately organized a company for the operation of the property. The members of the company are Mr. McCarthy, manager; Daniel C. Stevens, president; Curtis G. Powell, vice president; John G. Keating, secretary; James E. O'Connor, F. A. Jones, W. S. Goldsworthy and Robert E. Morrison, directors. The capital stock is \$250,000. The Brooklyn group is not the property which for a long time has been in litigation between Mr. McCarthy and his partner Mrs. Kinney, of Globe, but is another property developed by himself. A party of Chicago capitalists have a bond on the Bryan group, which has been in litigation. It lately expired, but has been extended for another month.

#### PIMA COUNTY STRIKES

Recent Reports Indicate Coming Prosperity in the District

From the Tucson Citizen.

After expending \$200,000 in the development of the property and erection of adequate machinery, the Cash Mines company must now become involved in litigation similar to that which is tying up some of the finest properties in Yavapai county. "Eighteen months ago the directors of the company became aware that unless they paid the debts of the company it would be attached," said Superintendent Blauvelt this afternoon. The company is without funds to meet its just debts and unless some arrangement can be made to satisfy creditors the company will find itself defendant in several attachments at the next term of court. "Difference now exist between factions of the stockholders that efforts have been made for months to patch up. Nothing has come of it, and the stockholders must bear the consequences."

#### MARICOPA COUNTY MINES

New and Rich Ledges Found in the Relief Mine

From the Enterprise.

Colonel J. F. Wilson gives out the pleasing information that the Bannie property will soon be working again full blast. The eastern management has wired sufficient money to Prescott to pay off all the men who quit work some time ago because of a failure of pay day to come as expected. Work is to be resumed on a larger scale and this promising property put with the producers if possible.

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